

REMARKS

In the Examiner's Amendment accompanying the Notice of Allowance, the Examiner reinstated claims 4 and 5 which were originally presented in the second preliminary amendment but which were inadvertently omitted in the Notice of Allowability. In presenting claims 4 and 5 in the Examiner's Amendment, the wording "a portion with a weak capillary action" was inadvertently omitted on line 2 of each claim. This Rule 312 Amendment is being filed to correct this inadvertent omission.

In accordance with this amendment, claims 4 and 5 have been amended to add the wording that was inadvertently omitted by the Examiner when presenting the claims in the Examiner's Amendment. These claim amendments are needed to correct errors introduced by the Examiner's Amendment and to properly word claims 4-5 so that the patent issues with the correct claims.

Consideration of this amendment will not entail undue work and the part of the PTO staff and is needed to correct an inadvertent error introduced by the Examiner's Amendment.

Accordingly, favorable consideration and entry of
this amendment are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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